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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Large Entity)**

Docket No.
APV31827

In Re Application Of: Joseph Peter Hubert Maria MERTENS

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
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Invention: BARRIER ELEMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of February 7, 2006 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

<input type="checkbox"/> One month	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two months	<input type="checkbox"/> Three months	<input type="checkbox"/> Four months	<input type="checkbox"/> Five months
from: _____	May 7, 2006	until: _____	July 7, 2006	_____

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	10 -	20 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 -	3 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$450.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$450.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of **\$450.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. **19-4375** in the amount of
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **19-4375**
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-4375**
- Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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